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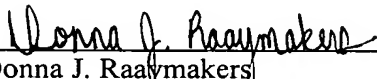
Dear Sir:

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I certify that this paper together with the attached continuation patent application comprising a Patent Application Bibliographic Data Form (1 page); Preliminary Amendment (7 pages); copy of prior application Serial No. 10/229,566 filed on August 28, 2002 (15 pages), and Declaration as originally filed (1 page); three (3) sheets of formal drawings (in duplicate); Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages), Forms PTO-1449 (1 sheet), cover letter (3 pages, in duplicate); check in the amount of \$878 for the filing fee; and return postal card are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as Express Mail in an envelope having Express Mail Mailing Label Number EL994417490US addressed to:

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This is a request for filing a continuation application under 37 C.F.R.
1.53(B)(1) of pending prior United States patent application Serial No. 10/229,566, filed on
August 28, 2002, which will issue on November 18, 2003, as United States Patent No.
6,648,478, which claims priority from United States provisional patent application Serial No.
60/315,850, filed on August 29, 2001.

Enclosed is a copy of the prior application, including the oath or declaration as
originally filed.

The attached papers are a true copy of the prior application Serial No.
10/229,566, as originally filed on August 28, 2002.

The filing fee is calculated below:

Basic Fee	\$770.00
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Each independent claim in excess of three, times \$86.00	\$ 0.00
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees, which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 22-0190. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed. Please enter the amendment before calculating the fee.

Amend the specification as follows:

Page 1, line 4:

After "This application" insert --is a continuation of pending prior United States patent application Ser. No. 10/229,566, filed on Aug. 28, 2002, now United States Patent No. 6,648,478, which--.

Page 1, line 5:

"disclosure" should be --disclosures--.

Page 1, line 6:

"is" should be --are--.

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"its entirety" should be --their entireties--.

New formal drawings are enclosed.

The prior application is assigned to Donnelly Corporation, located at 414 E. Fortieth Street, Holland, Michigan 49423, as recorded at Reel 013243, Frame 0081, on August 28, 2002.

Applicants respectfully request that information cited in the prior parent application, Serial No. 10/229,566, be considered in the present application. A disclosure statement is enclosed along with copies of Forms PTO-1449.

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A Patent Application Bibliographic Data Form is enclosed.

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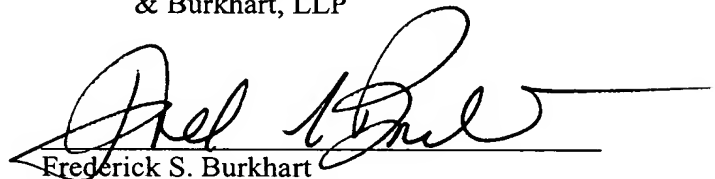
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